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SUBJ: POLITICAL RISK CONVERTIBILITY INSURANCE (OPIC)

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1. WITH THE NATIONALIZATION OF US OIL COMPANIES IN JUNE 1976, REMAINING AMERICAN INVESTMENT IN MADAGASCAR IS INSIGNIFICANT AND THEREFORE IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO REPORT RECENT EXPERIENCE OF US INVESTORS REGARDING CONVERTIBILITY. HOWEVER, THE LEADING MADAGASCAR IMPORTER OF AMERICAN GOODS INFORMS EMBASSY THAT HIS FIRM HAS EXPERIENCED ABSOLUTELY NO DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING FOREIGN EXCHANGE AUTHORIZATION FOR REMITTANCES TO US SUPPLIERS.

2. IN RECENT YEARS, THE FEW REMAINING UNNATIONALIZED FOREIGN INVESTORS IN MADAGASCAR HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN EXCHANGE CONTROL AUTHORITY TO REPATRIATE THEIR DIVIDENDS OR ROYALTIES ALTHOUGH IN MOST CASES THEY CONTINUE TO BE GRANTED AUTHORITY FOR IMPORTS TO MAINTAIN PRODUCTION.

3. ANY POTENTIAL FOREIGN INVESTORS IN MADAGAACAR MUST HAVE GOVERNMENT APPROVAL FOR THEIR INVESTMENT AND MOST WOULD HAVE THE GOVERNMENT AS A JOIN VENTURE PARTNER. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS
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THAT PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS OBTAIN CLLEAR AND WRITTEN UNDERSTANDING WITH GDRM ON MATTER OF CONVERTIBILITY DURING NEGOTIATIONS PRIOR TO INVESTMENT.
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